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SUBJECT: ECPC: QUAI'S SUMMING UP

REF: (A) MOSCOW 10532, (B) BERLIN 6175

1. QUAI'S REACTION TO ECPC IS VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL TO
MOSCOW'S EXCELLENT ANALYSIS (REF A) PARALLELED BY
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BERLIN'S INTERESTING SUMMING UP IN REF B.

2. QUAI SOVIET EXPERTS ALSO BELIEVE THAT MOSCOW'S MAIN GAIN IN ECPC WAS THE RENEWED ENDORSEMENT OF MAJOR USSR FOREIGN POLICY THEMES BY THE OTHER PARTIES; AN ENDORSEMENT WHICH SHOULD HAVE CONCRETE USEFULNESS FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO COME. FOR THIS SOVIETS PAID PRICE IN TERMS OF INCREASED RECOGNITION OF CP AUTONOMY, ALTHOUGH THIS CONCESSION MAY, FOR THE SHORT TERM, NOT BE TOO RELEVANT AS LONG AS SUBSTANTIVE AGREEMENT REMAINS ON FOREIGN POLICY PRINCIPLES.

3. QUAI EXPERTS THEN GO STEP BEYOND REFTEL ANALYSIS IN RAISING QUESTION WHETHER, IN GRANTING PRINCIPLE OF CP AUTONOMY, ECPC WAS NOT ALSO THE HISTORIC WATERSHED AFTER WHICH, AS MARCHAIS HAS ARGUED, SUCH MEETINGS ARE IN FACT NO LONGER USEFUL OR EVEN POSSIBLE. ALTHOUGH QUAI RESERVES JUDGMENT ON THIS POINT, INCLINATION IS TO SEE ECPC, IF NOT AS END OF THE ROAD, THEN AS MAJOR NEW TURNING POINT IN HISTORY OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM.
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